

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen & Overseer of the Poor

FOR THE

TOWN OF GILFORD,

FOR THE YEAR

Ending March 1st, 1866.

Selectmen's Report.

The Selectmen of the Town of Gilford charge themselves as follows:

Received of Collector's list for 1865	26532 06
In Treasury March 1, 1865	1732 89
License for Circuses	60 00
Savings Bank Tax	444 77
State Aid	4615 99
Cash of N. H. Literary	74 20
" R. R. Tax	576 17
" Town Literary fund	33 60
" S. S. Ayer, Collector for 1864	107 90
" E. Flanders, Jr. " 1862	1 81
" " " 1863	51 90
" E. K. Leavitt " 1860	7 13
" " " 1864	268 07
Franklin Mansur, " 1863,	34 00
For Recruiting fees,	15 00
	8023 43

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Received on Notes.

F W Boynton	600 00	John Edwards	200 00
O C Gordon	300 00	James H Plummer	150 00
O F Merrill	200 00	Levi B Wilkinson	800 00
James Gordon	100 00	Sleeper & Robie	100 00
Susan B Lane	50 00	J P Smith	400 00
Lydia Thurston	22 00	Arvilla A Smith	900 00
Mary Blaisdell	80 00	Martha J Dimond	30 00
Samuel Gilman	210 00	Frank H Gilman	170 00
M C Dexter	100 00	Margaret A Sanborn	300 00
Belknap County Bank	3000 00	Mary A Cheney	40 00
W S Hoyt	90 00	Frank Eastman	132 45
L D Sawyer	200 00	Richard Martin	200 00
Solomon Cole	250 00	Hazen Copp	325 80
Mary A Davis	200 00	Nancy Sawyer	100 00
Harriet P Varney	25 00	John Pepper	1000 00
John T Young	300 00	S G Swain	400 00
M R Elkins	400 00	C R Bartlett	450 00
E Blaisdell	160 00	David Y Smith	313 90
C P Davis	100 00	S S Davis	100 00
P O Blaisdell	100 00	B M Sanborn	1000 00
Daniel Mooney	200 00	E F Sleeper	400 00
Mary R Gray	300 00	Lovina Page	100 00
Lizzie M Davis	200 00	Thomas Saltmarsh	175 00
Annas C James	500 00	Charles A Davis	42 00
E Mallard	408 00		

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The Selectmen credit themselves as follows:

By paid State tax for 1865	4770 00
“ County tax “	727 75
	5497 75
School Orders	1583 90

Town Officers' Bills.

R. G. Morrill, services in March 1865	19 25
Sinton Rowe, Town Clerk	29 00
J. L. Odell, services as Selectman	96 75
E. Flanders, Jr. “	84 00
J. Aldrich, “	72 75
J. Aldrich, Treasurer	25 00
Hosea Quimby, School Committee	76 00
S. S. Ayer, collecting	200 00
	602 73

Breaking Roads.

Chas. W. B. Davis	3 00
John T. Young	8 54
Daniel Hoyt	16 62
Daniel Gray	1 14
Gee. W. Sanborn	4 34
Geo. W. Robinson	4 47
Parker P. Nichols	5 48
Henry Goss	4 48
Andrew Gray	14 12
A. B. Dockham	6 57
Isaac E. Leavitt	45 56
Jonathian Morrill	10 37
E. H. Sanborn	1 50
Daniel L. Gove	5 00
Gilman Clogston	85
Samuel S. Bennett	17 20
Daniel Glidden	7 85
Isaiah C. Morrill	7 87
Daniel E. Locke	2 60
B. F. Weeks	10 10
Richard Elkins	3 60
Thomas Weeks	13 30
John M. Weeks	3 20
	198 26

Roads and Bridges.

B. J. Cole & Co. Culvert stone	12 00
Nathan S. Davis, labor	2 66
Davis & Denny, Culvert, Lake Village	147 50
Jonathan Morrill, building Bridge	25 00
P. C. Smith, bridge plank	11 70
S. G. Swain, labor	1 20
R. G. Morrill "	6 00
E. S. Hunt "	1 00
Jewell Gove, building Culverts	68 28
Gilman Clogston, labor	9 56
John J. Morrill, lumber	15 55
B. J. Cole & Co., spikes, Messer bridge	1 68
D. E. Locke, stone for Culverts	7 72
Abel Glidden, labor in 1864	8 08
Daniel Glidden "	5 73
G. W. Sanders, plank, Messer bridge	51 08
Andrew Pickering, labor "	4 00
Sleeper & Robie, lumber	37 65
E. Flanders, Jr. labor	19 50
John M. Weeks, labor and lumber	27 98
J. L. Frobock, lumber	1 55
Chas. W. B. Davis, labor	5 50
Morrill Thing, plank	2 64
T. B. Hoyt and J. Swain, gravel	20 00
Hazen Copp, bridge plank	97 39
S. B. Elkins, labor	50
John G. Jewett.	15 00
	606 45

Collins Road.

Commissioner's bills, laying out	73 22
Chas. W. Durrill, building road	151 87
J. A. Jewett, award of dam. by Com.	125 00
J. N. Collins, " "	30 00
J. B. & S. Collins " "	8 00
B. L. Bean, labor on bridge and lumber	6 00
Hazen Copp, plank	30 29
	424 38

Fred. Smith Suit.

John Edwards, building culvert	210 00
J. M. Marsh, cash paid for labor, &c.	221 20
J. M. Marsh, labor	78 17
J. L. Moore, smith work	3 00
Stephen Staples, labor	3 00
L. W. Boynton " "	28 64
W. L. Crocker, engineering, &c.	40 00
Austin F. Pike, legal services	68 75
W. L. Melcher, " "	66 30
J. G. Jewett, services and chsh paid	20 98
	740 04

School House Tax.

Treasurer School District, No. 4, 178 00

State Aid.

Soldiers' Families, 1740 71

Miscellaneous Bills.

Paid Auditors bills, March, 1865	13 50
Asa Ladd, watering trough	1 50
R. H. Sanborn, services March 1865	3 00
Oscar F. Merrill, bounty for reenlisting	200 00
Enoch Merrill, for deaf and dumb girl	25 00
Morrill & Sillstee, stationery	5 22
Ephraim Mallard, Guide Boards	3 12
B. J. Cole & Co. labor on account of water	7 50
N. B. Gale, revenue stamps	7 00
J. H. Brewster, printing Reports, &c.	40 50
State Reform School, for Elizabeth Boyle	48 52
G. W. Sanborn, Guide Post, &c.	2 00
C. W. Buzzell, damage to carriage	3 00
Asa Fowler, legal advice	5 00
Revenue Stamps,	2 00
G. W. Weeks, blank book	1 75
T. M. Sanborn, to purchase Liquors for Agency	167 00
B. M. Sanborn & Co. stationery,	1 25
Isaiah C. Morrill, watering trough 1864 and 1865	3 00
Isaac E. Leavitt, "	1 00
Interest on Literary Fund,	33 60
" Ministerial money	48 00
Fire Engine Co., at Laconia Village,	78 00
" " Lake Village,	90 00
C. E. Moulton, Police	3 00
John C. Fogg, "	14 50
C. Smith, moving liquors	75
A. L. Morrison, board of selectmen and committees	15 75
T. B. Hoyt, repairing Pound	1 50
Upper Gilmanton, expenses of perambulating lines	2 75
W. T. Sargent, services as Police	1 50
T. D. Baker, horse-hire	27 00
E. Flanders, jr. horse-hire and cash paid	40 84
E. Flanders, jr. paying State Aid	15 55
John Aldrich, horse-hire and cash paid	42 03
J. L. Odell, board of Selectmen and cash	13 40
J. L. Odell, stationery	3 05
Simon Rowe, agent for Literary and Ministerial fund	1 00
C. W. Durrell, horse-hire, &c.	3 00
J. G. & E. Munsey, wood, &c.	2 45
J. H. Brewster, printing notices	1 50
G. W. Munsey, board of selectmen, auditors, com. &c.	62 73
S. B. Elkins, water trough and sawing wood	2 25
Hosea Quinby, horse-hire and cash paid	34 10
C. H. Flanders, board of Selectmen	5 00
Cole & Prescott, horse-hire	31 75
John Edwards, services as Police	12 00
John G. Jewett, "	10 00

Recapitulation.

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Received on Notes during the year,	15924	15
“ Collector's list, 1865,	26532	06
“ from all other sources,	8023	43
	50,479	64

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Paid State and County Taxes	5497	75
School Orders,	1583	90
Town Officers' Bills,	602	73
Breaking Roads,	198	26
Roads and Bridges,	606	45
Collins Road,	424	38
Fred. Smith suit,	740	04
Miscellaneous Bills.	1136	86
Paid Overseer of Poor as wanted,	1084	65
Soldiers' Families State aid,	1740	71
Paid on Notes,	33630	16
Cash in Collector's hands, 1865,	950	00
Treasurer of School District, No. 4,	178	00
Abatements for 1865,	862	35
Cash in Treasury, March 1, 1866,	1243	40
	50,479	64

Whole amount due on Notes, March 1, 1866.

Benjamin Q. Jewett,	1060	00	Arthur St. Clair Smith,	183	55
John P. Smith,	2011	39	J. G. Wadleigh,	136	50
Hannah Munsey	62	85	Sarah E. Ladd,	426	04
William T. Batchelder,	326	15	Charles C. Rowe,	440	35
Judith Morrill,	811	92	N. B. Grant,	122	86
G. W. Munsey,	990	00	J. L. Eaton,	91	78
S. J. Blaisdell,	306	42	William Thomas,	103	61
Ezra Eastman,	731	73	James Fullerton, Jr.	293	16
Moses R. Elkins,	1033	47	C. H. Fullerton,	266	89
Daniel Glidden,	4591	57	C. W. Leavitt,	165	68
Bersey Gilman,	667	32	Mary Gould,	1084	48
John P. Smith, Jr.	1607	07	Benjamin Rowe,	204	35
B. Q. Jewett, Guardian,	209	30	J. Ann Potter,	72	57
Sarah J. Shepherd,	722	15	Elisabeth Morrill,	766	39
Samuel B. Jewett,	122	67	Mary A. Fullerton,	114	38

William Davis,	600 32	Lydia Randall,	744 32
Portsmouth Savings B'k	5699 40	John S. Gilman,	279 83
John Smith,	720 94	Betsey Chapman,	86 04
Jennie B. Bunker,	630 82	Horace L. Carr,	161 40
C. W. Leavitt,	109 26	Samuel H. Blaisdell,	458 49
Sally M. Thurston,	963 32	Betsey Farrer,	456 51
Roxanna S. Rand,	1932 54	M. B. Savings Bank,	1960 00
Sarah J. Copp,	1932 54	G. Sanborn,	686 74
Hellen A. Tilton,	226 06	Stephen B. Dockham,	442 13
Sophrona Bartlett,	79 04	Levi M. Sanborn,	120 16
Polly Bartlett,	56 45	E. K. Cook,	382 23
James Sanborn,	338 64	J. M. Dow,	201 60
Betsey R. Potter,	56 26	Daniel Parshley,	109 28
Harrison G. Bennett,	335 70	Daniel Grant,	110 19
Esther A. Gilman,	338 90	T. J. Moulton,	332 00
Martha Bean,	221 54	Martha Blaisdell,	161 18
C. R. Wiggin,	1107 70	A. O. Sanborn,	219 42
Nancy S. Morrill,	221 54	Simon Rand,	437 56
Mary D. Weeks,	332 31	E. Flanders,	215 48
David Gould,	330 72	Gust A. Copp,	284 00
Maria P. Sanborn,	726 00	B. F. Sanborn,	194 62
Sally Bean,	55 07	E. A. Badger,	172 13
Orrin H. Weeks,	110 08	Oscar R. Moulton,	375 24
Phebe C. Sanborn,	274 53	T. H. Bennett,	404 00
M. E. Goodhue,	274 97	Charles B. Davis,	436 22
L. P. A. Goodhue,	274 97	H. C. Hill,	184 25
Mary Ann Bowman,	109 76	U. M. Whipple,	301 19
John S. Stevens,	109 76	G. L. Dow,	326 03
Ruth J. Stevens,	109 76	Simon J. Cotton,	1303 29
Frank Morrill,	1169 69	Samuel Gilman,	1480 59
Daniel Tucker,	274 09	William W. Watson,	244 58
John Tucker,	164 45	J. B. Farnham,	380 05
Judith Abbott,	330 27	J. T. Weeks,	219 21
Joseph Dunovan,	109 52	John Davis,	542 43
Lydia Thurston,	324 82	D. B. Eaton, Admr.	648 91
Louisa Holman,	209 76	O. C. Gordon,	317 30
J. F. Coleman,	118 35	J. Lamprey,	409 80
John K. Young,	210 74	Charles P. Davis,	211 62
Sophrona Stevens,	333 14	Joshua Lane,	156 61
Timothy Whittier,	1065 20	Joseph Hoyt,	750 55
David Y. Smith,	493 16	Laura A. Rice,	214 22
Ellen J. Brown,	117 46	Susan B. Lane,	106 56
Hannah Hunt,	234 74	John Pepper,	1613 86
Mary R. Gray,	486 86	C. S. Warren,	91 44
Sarah A. Shaw,	536 86	Amanda J. Leavitt,	66 30
Rebecca G. Jewett,	258 15	Frank H. Gilman,	388 00
Susan Sanborn,	584 63	F. W. Boynton,	1061 50
Hannah A. Elliott,	185 36	Sarah Veasey,	53 23
Sarah P. Hunt,	259 65	John T. Smith,	402 12
Ann Morrill,	520 40	Reuben E. Leavitt,	150 48
D. L. Davis,	90 28	Elbridge Jacobs,	229 87
Mary J. Ladd,	305 90	W. M. Lindsay,	411 39
Sanborn Crosby,	226 22	Moses Pickering, Jr.	409 87
M. A. H. Crocker,	459 46	Frank A. Edwards,	435 51
J. Gilbert,	204 10	Edwin H. Bean,	739 00
R. S. Boddy,	103 36	Annis C. James,	517 50
James Gordon,	412 43	Abel Lovett,	956 00
S. H. Randall,	114 85	Joseph Russell,	1060 00

G. W. Smith,	1060 00	Martha J. Dimond,	30 87
Homer Dow,	266 32	Margaret A. Sanborn,	157 25
M. P. Goodhue,	162 92	Mary A. Cheeney,	40 80
Oscar F. Merrill,	211 33	Richard Martin,	205 50
Wm. S. Hoyt,	93 00	Hazen Copp,	330 00
Levi D. Sawyer,	107 00	Nancy Sawyer,	101 15
Mary A. Davis,	210 10	Susannah S. Davis,	101 00
Harriet P. Varney,	26 20	Cordelia R. Bartlett,	451 15
John T. Young,	314 25	Benjamin M. Sanborn,	1007 50
Enoch Blaisdell,	167 60	Ellen F. Sleeper,	402 50
Daniel T. Mooney,	267 25	Lovina Page,	100 62
Lizzie M. Davis,	207 00	Thomas Saltmarsh,	175 00
E. Mallard,	396 25	Noah D. Weeks,	106 70
John Edwards,	206 75		
Levi B. Wilkinson,	603 60		81,162 24

Assets.

In Collector's hands,	for 1843	7 03
"	1846	3 65
B. F. Weeks	1854	3 43
H. H. Sleeper's	1854	9 84
Thomas Weeks	1856	6 75
"	1857	6 06
"	1858	11 06
Franklin Davis	1858	14 48
R. H. Sanborn's	1860	7 00
Harlan Jewett's	1861	33 36
E. Flanders, Jr.	1861	1 50
"	1862	3 97
"	1863	100 00
F. Mansur	1862	5 06
"	1863	49 35
S. S. Ayer,	1864	32 75
"	1865	950 00
Liquors in T. M. Sanborn (Town Agent's hands)		442 00
Due from State as State Aid		786 71
" County		126 84
Cash in Treasury March 1,		1243 40
		3844 24

Whole amount of liabilities,	81,162 24
Less assets,	3,844 24
	<u>77,318 00</u>

In addition to the above assets, the Town holds Government Assignments to the amount of \$8200 00, the value of which we cannot state.

J. T. ODELL,
E. FLANDERS, Jr.
JOHN ALDRICH.

Selectmen of Gilmford.

The undersigned having examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen, find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

J. F. ROBIE,
G. W. SANDERS, } Auditors.
J. G. JEWETT.

Report of the Overseer of the Poor.

The Overseer of the Poor charges himself with the following items, to wit:

Received of John O. Sanborn for oxen	260 00	
Thos's Saltmarsh, two sheep	10 00	
John J. Morrill, hide	5 59	
T. Saltmarsh, steers	90 00	
" shingle	3 00	
calf &c., sold	10 75	
S. S. Kimball, steer and sheep	28 00	407 84
Received of County for support of N. Smith	30 00	
" " Mrs. Barron	3 00	
" " Mrs. Evans	7 85	
" " G. W. Fowler	79 19	
" " Lizzie Grafton	80 17	
" " Mrs. Fogg	69 82	
City of Manchester for Raymond family	11 25	
Upper Gilmanton for support of Hannah Ladd	33 50	314 78
Cash of Treasurer as wanted		1084 65
		1806 77

Which is accounted for as follows:

For the support of Poor on Farm.

Paid J. M. Babcock, making flannel & cloth in 1864,	11 01
Thos. Saltmarsh, cash paid out in 1864	17 52
J. H. Tilton, for plaster	2 75
F. M. Cawley, for oxen	185 00
N. S. Davis, labor	2 00
A. M. Blake, cow	50 00
Benj. Leavitt, digging grave and use of team	2 00
Winfield Morrill, pasturing steers	14 00
Isaac Morrill, pasturing sheep, &c.	18 00
J. R. Morrill, two pigs	13 00
J. Gilbert, two coffins, &c.	13 00
L. B. Thompson & Son, groceries, &c.	27 83
Heman Hunter, carding wool and threshing	5 67
Daniel E. Locke, stone for hog-house	4 70
Jeremiah Smith, use of bull	75
G. W. Munsey & Son, groceries, &c.	52 52
J. G. & E. Munsey, "	48 50
Rev. G. Sanborn, attending funerals	5 00

Sleeper & Whittier, groceries, &c.	30 52	
H. Bugbee & Son, axe	1 40	
Thos. F. Saltmarsh, twelve days labor	8 00	
T. Saltmarsh, services on farm	275 00	
“ cash paid out	18 43	
F. I. Patch, hats	2 50	
D. H. Munsey, shoemaking	8 19	
E. Flanders, jr. steer	32 00	
I. E. Leavitt, use of bull	1 00	
J. M. Blaisdell, blacksmithing	3 47	
W. H. Wadleigh, “	8 71	
Chas. Denny, labor, haying, &c.	43 50	
John Aldrich, cash paid grass seed, &c.	12 25	
W. L. Thompson, shoemaking	65	
J. L. Odell, medicines and truss	14 21	953 08

For support of Poor off Farm:

Paid A Gray, for Glidden family	7 70	
Elnora Kelley, care of Lizzy Grafton	12 00	
Mrs. Rowen, “	3 67	
Charles P. Stevens, board of “	78 00	
William Knowles, care of vagrant boy	2 50	
D. G. Drake, wood for Mrs. Rowe	1 75	
J. Gilbert, coffin for Raymond child	5 75	
H. A. Davis, funeral expenses of same	2 50	
H. Whicher, “	2 00	
Dr. Chase, Piper boy	11 00	
E. K. Blodgett, “	20 50	
George D. Hilliard, taking care of John Dockham	15 00	
H. Bugbee & Sons, clothing “	8 38	
Mrs. Greenleaf, nursing Mrs. Fogg	13 50	
Laura E. Sanborn, “	3 17	
Andrew Gray, moving “	1 25	
I. P. Cole, goods for “	1 70	
Mary Gale, taking care of “	6 00	
Dr. Merrill, doctoring “	25 00	
Charlotte Clark, rent “	5 00	
J. H. Tilton, Groceries	14 20	
Dr. Munsey, for George W. Fowler	35 00	
George W. Munsey, provision for G. W. Fowler	43 44	
J. L. Odell, medicine “	75	
J. C. Burleigh, for Hannah Ladd	24 50	
J. Abbott, “	5 00	
D. Johnson, “	4 00	
L. K. Clough, provision for Mrs. T. Stevens	20 00	
A. P. B. Currier, rent	6 00	
Mary Gale, board of Mrs. Fogg	8 57	
Henry Davis, care of John Bean	50 00	
B. J. Cole & Co. supplies for S. Davis' family	72 00	
“ provision for H. Merrill's family	6 50	

J. P. Cole, for S. Davis	3 80	
" supplies for J. L. Davis	5 00	
J. G. & E. Munsey, for G. W. Fowler	2 00	
J. L. Odell, medicines for S. Davis family	21 28	
H. Bugbee & Sons, for Folsom boy	7 20	
Sleeper & Whittier, for the Willey family	14 00	
L. Blake, wood for H. Merrill	6 00	
G. L. Mead, supplies for S. M. Willey	15 00	
Town of Laconia	21 50	
Dr. Nelson,	21 30	
T. J. Plummer, provisions for the Willey family	7 75	
E. Flanders, jr funeral expenses of Mrs Buzzell	5 00	
C. W. B. Davis, " P. Webster	10 00	
Town of Barnstead, for Mrs. Thurston in 1864,	43 75	
J. Aldrich, cash paid	8 23	
Jonathan Folsom, Kittridge Boy	7 80	
S. B. Elkins, care of G. W. Fowler	10 00	
J. L. Odell, medicines for Lizzy Grafton	5 00	730 94

Miscellaneous Bills.

Paid R. H. Sanborn, services	2 50	
Dr. B. Munsey, doctoring in 1864	50 00	
" " 1865	12 50	
J. Aldrich, services as Overseer & use of team	48 75	
J. L. Odell, " "	9 00	122 75

Recapitulation.

Cash paid for support of Poor on Farm	953 08	
Received for articles sold from Farm	407 34	545 74
Cash paid for support of Poor off Farm	730 94	
Cash received of County and Towns	314 78	416 16
Miscellaneous Bills		122 75
		1084 65
To Cash of Treasurer to balance	1084 65	
Amount due from County for support of County Paupers	77 32	

JOHN ALDRICH, Overseer of the Poor.

The undersigned having examined the foregoing accounts of the Overseer of the Poor, find them correctly cast and well vouched.

J. F. ROBIE,
GEO. W. SANDERS, } Auditors.
JOHN G. JEWETT }

Inventory of Property at the Town Farm.

2 oxen	250 00	1-4 bushel peas	50
2 "	180 00	2 M shingles	5 00
2 steers	75 00	2 barrels pork	80 00
3 cows	180 00	1 " beef	25 00
16 sheep	75 00	1-2 bushel onions	75
12 tons of hay	192 00	25 lbs. cheese	5 00
2 shorts	35 00	50 " flour	3 00
14 hens	7 00	20 " butter	8 00
42 bushels corn	56 00	5 " sugar	75
9 " wheat	27 00	2 " tea	2 50
2 1-2 " beans	6 25	2 galls. molasses	1 20
5 " rye	6 67	2 bbls. soap	10 00
5 " oats	3 50	1-2 " cider	5 00
2 pelts	3 90	4 yards cloth	8 00
6 lbs. candles	1 20	100 bushels potatoes	50 00
30 " lard	7 50	1 express wagon	25 00
30 " tallow	5 00	Farming Tools	100 00
21 " dried apples	3 50	Household Furniture	215 00
25 " wool	18 75		
			1681 07

Names and ages of persons at the Alms House who have their support therefrom, Feb. 21st, 1866 :

Matthias Sewall, 74. Hannah Chesley, 83. Hannah Welch, 83. Deborah Yeaton, 79. Hannah Thurston, 75. P. Stevens, 49. Mary Hill, 39. Francis S. Davis, 37. Frank N. Davis, 9.

Died during the year, Isaac Buzzell, aged 95 ; Charles Swain, 71.

The above appraisal was made by the undersigned, Feb. 21, 1866.

J. L. ODELL,
E. FLANDERS, Jr., } *Selectmen of Gilford.*

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

SUMMARY.

WINTEH.

DISTRICTS.		Money to each District.	Names of Teachers.		Wages per month board included.	Weeks of Terms.	Number of Boys.	Number of Girls.	Average attendance.	Not attending.	Cases of tardiness.	Not absent a half day.	Visits of Sup. Com.	Visits of Pru. Com.	Visits of Citizens.	DISTRICTS.		Names of Teachers.		Wages per month board included.	Weeks of Terms.	Number of Boys.	Number of Girls.	Average attendance.	Not attending.	Cases of tardiness.	Not absent a half day.	Visits of Sup. Com.	Visits of Pru. Com.	Visits of Citizens.
No. 1.	75	43	Sarah M. Hunt,	Sarah M. Hunt,	\$18	7	9	9	16	41	1	2	0	10	1.	No 1.	Sarah M. Hunt,	Sarah M. Hunt,	\$18	10	15	7	19	64	0	2	0	18		
" 2.	33	54	Mary A. Whittier,	Ebenezer Hunt,	\$14	4	5	8	9	1	0	3	2	0	7	" 2.	Ebenezer Hunt,	Ebenezer Hunt,	\$14	5	5	7	11	1	10	4	1	0	12	
" 3.	64	21	Sarah A. Morrill,	Sarah A. Morrill,	\$16	7	16	18	31	0	23	8	2	1	24	" 3.	Sarah A. Morrill,	Sarah A. Morrill,	\$16	7½	16	13	23	2	2	2	2	0	11	
" 4.	439	61	{ Elizabeth Colley, Pr. Lucy J. Merrill, High,	{ L. A. Eastman, Pr. W. F. Whiteher, High,	\$24 \$25	12 23	38 36	49	45	35	91	0	3	2	12	" 4.	{ L. A. Eastman, Pr. W. F. Whiteher, High,	{ L. A. Eastman, Pr. W. F. Whiteher, High,	\$25 \$30	10	31	28	33	170	3	2	0	6		
" 5.	65	51	Julia A. Davis,	Jennie S. Morrill,	\$20	5	6	5	9	5	5	2	0	0	20	" 5.	Jennie S. Morrill,	Jennie S. Morrill,	\$20	6	8	35	45	89	102	4	2	0	41	
" 6.	53	46	Seletta Wait,	C. Albert Holt,	\$14	7	15	4	14	16	2	2	1	5	" 6.	C. Albert Holt,	C. Albert Holt,	\$14	8	7	11	15	2	9	2	2	0	9		
" 7.	54	96	Amanda Hadley,	Elvina D. Sanborn,	\$20	11	10	11	16	4	29	1	2	0	14	" 7.	Elvina D. Sanborn,	Elvina D. Sanborn,	\$24	5	21	20	31	28	12	1	0	1	26	
" 8.	112	44	1st Term, E. D. Sanborn,	Julia A. Wilson,	\$21	7	16	25	35	4	8	1	0	6	" 8.	Julia A. Wilson,	Julia A. Wilson,	\$20	7	17	9	21	3	51	1	2	0	7		
" 9.	77	93	2d Term, E. D. Sanborn,	M. Ella Rowe,	\$17	6	14	24	29	20	5	1	0	2	" 9.	M. Ella Rowe,	M. Ella Rowe,	\$18	11	19	14	26	5	50	0	2	2	33		
" 10.	96	22	Henrietta P. Leavitt,	Julia M. Wilson,	\$16	8	12	8	16	6	17	1	2	0	18	" 10.	Julia M. Wilson,	Julia M. Wilson,	\$18	7	11	8	15	0	56	2	2	1	6	
" 11.	92	11	Mary W. Severance,	{ Julia A. Davis, Pr. Lizzie C. Chandler,	\$18	7	7	9	15	0	14	12	1	0	14	" 11.	{ Julia A. Davis, Pr. Lizzie C. Chandler,	{ Julia A. Davis, Pr. Lizzie C. Chandler,	\$26 \$24	8½	38	22	52	49	11	2	0	10		
" 12.	61	06	Anna C. M. Sanborn,	Francis M. Cawley, H.	\$16	7	7	9	15	0	14	12	1	0	14	" 12.	Francis M. Cawley, H.	Francis M. Cawley, H.	\$24	8½	34	28	51	12	340	16	2	1		
" 13.	368	91	Julia A. Wilson,		\$16	7	6	8	11	5	1	1	2	1	3	" 13.			\$40	8½	30	21	35	300	10	2	3	20		
" 14.	48	51	{ Eliza A. Hill, Pr. Julia A. Davis.		\$25	9	41	24	51	41	1	3	0	6		" 14.			\$25	9	36	35	60	123	8	3	0			
			Julia A. Davis, High,		\$18	11	6	10	15	0	32	3	2	0	8				\$18	11	6	10	15	0	32	3	2			

SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT—CONTINUED.

Citizens are respectfully desired to refer to the above Table for all statistical information regarding our Schools the past year. They will find it containing much that is important for them to know. It shows at a glance what Districts stand at the head and what at the foot on average attendance; non-absence a half day; instances of tardiness, &c. How those 689 tardy marks look for No. 13, Winter Term, of which 40 stand against one certain boy, rather ominous for his future. Then there is the counterpart, in No. 2, Summer Term. Parents can see where they are faulty in not having their children uniformly and punctually at school while keeping, though some do their duty in this respect faithfully, as those 64 cases of non-absence a half day in the Summer, and those 67 in the Winter, clearly show. But what are these among 786, the whole number of scholars attending? It is to be regretted that so many teachers have failed of attending to their duty to report the number not attending school at all. But we know that too large a number are coming up in the town in that way, whose cases should be taken in hand by the Selectmen, or other competent authority.

Your committee has kept a record of the progress and thoroughness of each pupil in town as to his study the past year. He has thereby found that some had been suffered to go over more ground than they did or could completely master; and that several have been accustomed to give so little thought in vacation to what they had learned the previous term, that it would mostly escape from memory by the opening of the succeeding term. The progress of such must be slow indeed. Parents should help in this matter by having their children in vacation give proper attention to reviewing, so far as to retain in mind what they had acquired.

Your committee would recommend that the Town raise more money for the support of our schools.

Your teachers, the past year, with one exception perhaps, have labored untiringly in their several places, thus securing real improvement to their pupils proportionate to the efforts of the latter to profit from their opportunities, in which a large number have merited high praise from their studious and excellent habits. Those who had previously taught in town, have fully sustained their excellent reputation as teachers, so that nothing further need be said of them in passing.

The pupils in a few of the districts have laid aside whispering, that bane to all schools where used; in some others they have gone far towards the same result, which certain others manifest a strong determination to keep on in the bad habit. Reporting on this has not become so near complete as to form the data for a column in the Table, but hope it will next year.

The health and comfort of the scholars require that shade trees and shrubbery be set about the school-houses. Will not the children and parents move in this the coming spring? Some of the school-houses ought to be built over anew, or greatly repaired.

No. 1, made commendable improvement. A few succeeded excellently; though those spelling schools probably did not aid on the day lessons much.

No. 2, advanced well for the time. Mr. Hunt gives promise of much future success at teaching.

No. 3, was troubled with a difficulty, summer term, that the committee was called on to settle. On inspection, found that the pupils had progressed well in their studies, despite the trouble, which was found to have arisen from certain feuds between the boys of the different neighborhoods, and which finally got into the school, involving also the parents. All was amicably settled, however, and the school kept out peacefully. How good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. Winter improvement not quite up to that of the summer. Miss Morrill is one of the best of teachers, but felt somewhat the disadvantage of teaching right in the midst of her former playmates.

No. 4, went ahead well in study, and made a great conquest in order, entirely banishing that loud study and nearly bringing under that whispering. The insubordination in the higher department, winter term, promptly met with its deserved fate, though care should be taken in subduing such turbulent fellows, not to strike them about the head.

No. 5, gives evidence of faithful instruction and diligent study. Winter term a little broken by sickness of the teacher.

No. 6, with an exception or two, improved but little summer term, from a trouble that arose in the school by reason of the teacher's company. Mr. Hoit advanced the scholars rapidly and thoroughly winter term. He gives promise of being a first rate teacher, especially where order can be secured through kindness and gentle means.

No. 7, has done well, though some need to look more into the reason of things.

No. 9, yields the fruit of good instruction and close study.

No. 10, manifests thoroughness of drill, and much application to the lessons.

No. 11, appeared to be doing excellently when visited.

No. 12, stands second in improvement, and one of the first in order.

No. 13, has enjoyed the labors of well skilled and faithful teachers. The primary department has improved well, especially in order. The higher department had good success summer term. Many also accomplished much in the winter, though some did not second Mr. Cawley's effort at thoroughness, and hence missed of gaining what they might. The intermediate department labored under great difficulties as to the room kept in, such as constantly cold feet and colds, the most inconvenient and uncomfortable seats for children's study, the quantity of smoke, the acid leaking from the stove-pipe in gallons, &c. Had not Miss Chandler been one of the best and most energetic of teachers she could have accomplished nothing for good to the school in such a room. As it was, her untiring efforts were largely thrown away, though considerable improvement was secured to many.

By all means let that school-house be enlarged this spring.

No. 14, stands first in improvement, and one of the first in order.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HOSEA QUINBY,

Sup'r. Committee of Schools.

Gilford, March 9, 1866.